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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

YANG ET AL.

Appln. No.: 09/398,897

Group Art Unit: 1647

Filed: September 20, 1999

Examiner: R. Hayes

For: STABLE NEURAL STEM CELLS

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This submission is in response to the Official Action of July 16, 2001. A Petition for a two-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the requisite fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) are enclosed.

Kindly enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 2-3, 6-11, 13-14 and 17-22.